

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. **2-KS-7-08-99**

Issued at Homer: June 28, 1999

Effective Date: Noon, Wednesday, July 30, 1999.

Expiration Date: July 4, 1999, 11:59 p.m.  
Unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order opens the area from the Homer City Dock near the entrance to the Homer Boat Harbor northwest along the east side of the Homer Spit to the Department marker placed approximately 200 yards northwest of the entrance to the fishery enhancement lagoon on the Homer Spit, to a distance of 300 feet from the shore, to snagging. Snagging will be permitted only from 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 30 until 11:59 p.m., Sunday, July 4.

### REGULATION:

5 AAC 58.035. (e) therefore is amended to read:

5 AAC 58.035. METHODS AND MEANS.

No person may snag or attempt to snag any species of fish east of a line from Anchor Point to Point Pogibshi from January 1 through June 23. Fish hooked elsewhere than in the mouth must be released immediately. "Snag" means hook a fish elsewhere than in the mouth. From the Homer City Dock near the entrance to the Homer Boat Harbor northwest along the east side of the Homer Spit to the Department marker placed approximately 200 yards northwest of the entrance to the fishery enhancement lagoon on the Homer Spit, to a distance of 300 feet from the shore, snagging is permitted only from 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 30 to 11:59, Sunday, July 4.

Frank Rue  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Nicole J. Szarzi

### JUSTIFICATION:

In 1988, the Alaska Board of Fisheries adopted a regulation whereby snagging would be permitted on and adjacent to the Homer Spit only after June 23 and only by emergency order. The department would issue an emergency order only if there were stocked salmon in the enhancement lagoon that could not be adequately harvested without snagging. These criteria have been met in that there are stocked king salmon available that will not be adequately harvested unless angler efficiency is increased. This emergency order therefore permits snagging on and adjacent to the Homer Spit beginning at 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 30, and continuing through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, July 4.

### DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 2 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.